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SUBJECT: RELEASE OF TERRORIST WHO KIDNAPPED AMBASSADOR ELBRICK

REF: STATE 382911##

1. POL COUNSELOR CALLED ON PROSECUTOR-GENERAL OF SUPEREME MILITARY TRIBUNAL, RUY LIMA PESSOA, TO INQUIRE ABOUT CIRCUMSTANCES OF RELEASE OF CLUDIO TORRES DA SILVA AFTER SERVING ONLY SEVEN YEARS OF 30-YEAR SENTENCE. POL COUNSELOR EXPLAINING THAT INQUIRY MOTIVATED BY UNDERSTANDABLE AND CONTINUING CONCERN OVER OUTCOME OF ELBRICK CASE, AS WELL AS BY WELL-KNOWN US ADVOCACY OF RIGOROUS MEASURES AGAINST SPECIFIC, PROVEN ACTS OF INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM, SUCH AS KIDNAPPING OF DIPLOMATS. HE USED OCCASION TO CLARIFY THAT US INSISTENCE ON FIRM ACTION IN SPECIFIC PROVEN CASES OF TERRORISM IS IN NO WAY INCONSISTENT WITH ITS EQUALLY FIRM ADVOCACY FO FULL ADHESION BY ALL COUNTRIES TO HUMAN RIGHTS, AND LEGAL GURANTEES AND SAFEGUARDS AFFIRMED IN UNIVERAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS.

2. PROSECUTOR-GENERAL SAID THAT HE DID NOT HAVE DETAILED BACKGROUND KNOWLEDGE ON TORRES DA SILVA CASE AT THE MOMENT.

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HIS IMPRESSION WAS THAT PRESS REPORTING HAD MISINTERPRETED

CASE AND THAT TORRES DA SILVA HAD BEEN RELEASE ON PAROLE
(PROVISIONAL LIBERTY) AFTER SERVING SEVEN YEARS BECAUSE OF
GOOD BEHAVIOR RATHER THAN BECAUSE OF ANY REDUCTION OF
SENTENCE. IF THERE WERE THE CASE, HE ADDED, AS A PAROLEE TORRES
WOULD BE SUBJECT TO CAREFUL MONITORING BY THE SECURITY FORCES,
WITH LIMITATIONS ON HIS FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT AND THE REQUIREMENT
TO REPORT REGULARLY TO POLICE. PROSECUTOR-GENERAL
SAID THAT HE WOULD SEEK COURT RECORDS TO CONFIRM THIS
IMPRESSION AND PROVIDE US MORE DETAILS SHORTLY.
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